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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated January 22, 2001, Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) to permit inventors Georges Rahier, Philippe Janssens, Stéphane Louis Ghislain Dupire, and Pierre Marie Fernand Adam, to make the above-identified application on behalf of themselves and non-signing inventor Sophie Brocheton, who cannot be found or reached after diligent effort. Enclosed herewith are:

1. A Declaration signed by Messrs. Rahier, Janssens, Dupire and Adam;
2. A Declaration in support of the present petition and Exhibits A, B and C thereto;
3. A check in the amount of \$260.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), as well as for the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e); and
4. A copy of the Notice of Missing Parts.

The enclosed Declaration shows the diligent efforts made to obtain the signature of the non-signing inventor, Sophie Brocheton, and showing that Ms. Brocheton cannot be reached. In addition, the enclosed Declaration states the last known address of Ms. Brocheton.

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